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One of Pupils Describes Her Classes, the School and City of Leeds, England—Second Letter in International Composition Series.

In the following letter from a pupil of the Cockburn High School of Leeds, England, one of the girls describes the work which is expected of scholars in her department and also tells about the city of Leeds.

Cockburn School, Leeds
November 9, 1908.

Dear Friend:

We were very pleased to have your letters read to us and to learn something about your school and city. I will tell you something about my surroundings.

Our school is called the Cockburn High School and I am in form VI in the elementary section. Our class contains 50 girls who are 11 and 12 years of age but there are 5 other classes of girls and 6 of boys beside ours. I wish you could see our school buildings, there are 63 rooms all lit up by electric lights.

There are special rooms for dressmaking, laundry, cookery, woodwork, and machine work, and we have a splendid gymnasium where a physical instructor teaches us various drills; there are dumbbells, barbells, clubs, parallel bars, ladders to climb up, and a vaulting horse. Twice a week we put on our rubber shoes and are pleased to go to the gymnasium. I was glad to hear that you played basket ball for our drill master Mr. Cousins also lets us play the same game and we all enjoy it very much and I am "defence," I like game.

Our classroom is room 50. It is a large room nearly square, there are a number of desks in it which are made to seat two; we have a large blackboard stretching nearly the length of the classroom. On the blackboard we have a list which has a column for attendance, bank and the medals list where girls' names are put that the class think have worked the hardest during the past week, and they are given a medal for the week.

We have a stockroom where we keep our books, and each classroom has a cloakroom to itself.

On the window ledges we have boxes of geraniums which flower every year; we also have some stick insects in a cage which came from South Europe and I have made a little sketch of one. They are green in colour and when they are touched they lie quite still like a piece of twig and do not move until they think they are quite safe. The little oval shape which you see hanging on the insect's leg is the little brown egg from which it has hatched.

In the middle of the floor of our classroom is a large table which is never without some flowers upon it, which the girls bring, but we shall not be able to get as many now as in summer as the cold weather is coming on.

We have a number of different lessons such as Nature Study, Arithmetic, Grammar, Drawing, Painting, Geography, History, Recitation, French, Composition. In Nature Study we learn about flowers and plants and all them to pieces to find their different parts, and every girl has beside her in our note-books, we have sketches in the Nasturtium, Sunflower, Michaelmas Daisies and are now studying the Elder Stem.

In Painting lesson we have our own painting boxes and bring flowers, fruit, leaves and vegetables, etc., to paint. In Recitation we learn many pieces of poetry and every girl has beside her of her own choosing. Before Christmas we are going to learn an act from Shakespeare's play "The Merchant of Venice."

We have a holiday of 6 weeks at Midsummer, 3 at Christmas, 1 at Easter and 1 at Whit week.

Now you would like to hear something about our city, it is a large one with many fine buildings, the most being the Town Hall which is built of stone. There are Corinthian pillars in front and a great number of steps lead to the entrance. At each end sits a huge stone lion which cost £1,000 each. In the centre stands a large tower and in it is a clock which can be both seen and heard many miles round Leeds.

At the side of the Town Hall is the Art Gallery and Library; in the Gallery are many beautiful pictures and lovely pieces of statuary.

We have a market which has recently been built in place of the old one and is called "The Leeds City Market," it is a very large one.

In Leeds we have a museum established in 1820 in which are interesting things. There are birds, their nests and eggs, there is the skeleton of an eagle, there is one of the first printing machines, and there is a room of different kinds of monkeys, and the skeletons of a giraffe, whale, bear, elephant, and elk and other interesting things. Every year we visit the museum and have a lecture on various subjects and then we write an account of our visit.

We have many parks, the most beautiful being Roundhay Park, in it are lovely trees, flowers and lakes and the hot houses are some rare and tropical plants. In the depth of winter the lakes are frozen over and we are allowed to skate.

Enclosed you will find a photograph of our school and a postcard of a few of the sights in Leeds. I have marked our classroom to show you it.

We shall be glad to have some more letters from you.
Your faithful friend,
NELLIE GLYDE.

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MRS. ERB AND HER SISTER ACQUITTED

Jury Finds Them Not Guilty of Murder of Capt. Erb.

WERE OUT ALL NIGHT—SELF-DEFENSE PLEA MADE BY THE WOMEN ACCEPTED BY THE JURYMEN.

(Special from United Press.)
Media, Jan. 7.—Mrs. J. Clayton Erb and her sister Mrs. Katherine Beisel were acquitted to-day of the charge of murdering the former's husband, the late Captain Erb at their home, "Red Gables," near this city, last October. The jury reported its decision after having spent the night under lock and key deliberating and then only after the law regarding homicide in self-defense had been explained again to-day by Judge Johnson.

The jury convened this morning the jury sent word that it desired to come into court for further instructions. It was apparent that some of the jurors were in doubt as to how far Mrs. Beisel was justified in shooting down Captain Erb as she claimed to defend herself from his attack. When the jury had filed into the courtroom Juror Riley asked the court for further instructions as to how far Mrs. Beisel was justified in committing homicide in self defense, which was her plea. Judge Johnson went over the law carefully. "If Mrs. Beisel thought she was in danger of death or great bodily harm she had a right to defend herself," said the court. The jury retired and within a few minutes sent word that a verdict had been reached.

The defendants and their counsel, who had lost their air of confidence during the long hours of waiting for the jury to come to some agreement, were greatly reassured by the questions put to the court by the juror and Judge Johnson's explanation. It was apparent that the jury had already decided in favor of Mrs. Erb and was merely in doubt as to the legality of Mrs. Beisel's act.

The verdict was delivered amid a tense silence which was broken by a demonstration of relief as the words "Not Guilty" rang through the courtroom. Harry Beisel, who was nearest his wife and sister-in-law, Mrs. Erb, leaped forward and clasped them both in his arms. Smiling through their tears Mrs. Erb and Mrs. Beisel shook hands and thanked each of the jurors. Beyond saying they were never in doubt as to the outcome of the trial and that it was a great relief to have it over with the women would not make any public statements, but quickly left the courtroom with their attorneys and passed through a lane formed by the spectators.

WOULD MAKE USE OF EX-PRESIDENTS

Bill Before Senate to Provide a Life Occupation For Them.

(Special from United Press.)
Washington, Jan. 7.—The question of what to do with ex-Presidents is now engaging the attention of one branch of Congress. The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations has just begun serious consideration of a bill introduced by Senator McCreary of Kentucky, which recommends that one should make use of the knowledge and experience of ex-Presidents after they retire from office would be to make them ex-officio representatives for life, if they should be addressed at the Pan-American and other international conferences at which the United States may participate. It is also provided that four other persons shall be appointed to serve with the ex-Presidents.

The duty of this commission would be to investigate and from time to time report upon the several propositions looking toward the substitution of judicial decisions to force international relations. They are also to distribute information on international arbitration to the peace by address and publication. Members of the committee are to receive \$10,000 a year each and their expenses.

LADIES OF ST. GEORGE ENTERTAIN CHILDREN

Martha Washington Lodge, No. 26, Order of Daughters of St. George held an enjoyable New Year's party at their hall, Curtis Building Tuesday evening January 5, '09. A Xmas tree loaded with gifts for all the children is a yearly occurrence with this lodge. After the gifts were distributed, the following programme was rendered:

Piano Solo, by Miss Florence Teel.
Recitation by Master Joe Mason.
Recitation by Master Fred Price.
Song by Master George Barrows.
Piano Solo, by Miss Florence Liggins.
Recitation by Miss Edna Nichols.
Recitation by Miss Edna Hampshire.
Piano Solo, by Miss Nellie Price.
Song by Miss Grace Barrows.
Recitation by Master Freddie Nichols.
Duet, by Misses Mabel Horton and Florence Teel.
Recitation by Miss Dorothy Wilson.
Song, by Miss Carrie Dowling.
Dancing was indulged in after the concert was over. A list of names of the following committee who had the affair in charge: Mrs. Albert Mappin, chairlady; Mrs. Roland Marton, Mrs. David B. Wilson, Mrs. Thomas Knight, Mrs. Wm. Dowling, Mrs. E. P. Nevins, Mrs. James McKeever, Mrs. Mary Wicker.

ALLEGED WIDOW'S PETITION DISMISSED

Attempt to Secure Part of Rich Brewer's Estate Fails in Boston.

(Special from United Press.)
Boston, Jan. 7.—Judge Charles G. McIntyre of the Middlesex probate court to-day dismissed the petition of Mrs. Christine L. Pfaff of London, alleged widow of the late Henry Pfaff who sought to establish herself as the legal widow of the late Henry Pfaff, Jr., the rich brewer of Roxbury and Lexington and secure her widow's share of \$300,000 from his estate. When told that Mrs. Pfaff had lost her case and that Mrs. Louise C. Pfaff remains the legal widow of the brewer, Gaylor Cook, attorney for Mrs. Christine Pfaff said:

"We shall take an appeal at once to the Supreme Court of Massachusetts." Mrs. Louise C. Pfaff, now declared by the court to be the rightful widow as well as the recognized widow of the brewer, is living in Europe with her two children.

WANT ADS. CENT A WORD.

ROMANOWSKI OF MORASKI GANG IS CONVICTED

Crusade Against Lawlessness in the West End Continues Successfully—Four Members Now in Quad.

Prosecuting Attorney DeLaney succeeded this morning in securing another conviction in the crusade against the notorious Moraski gang which beat up Joseph Koslowski, Dec. 15. John Romanowski was tried this morning for assault, breach of the peace, and drunkenness. He was fined \$25 and costs and sent to jail for three months by Judge Foster in the city court.

Romanowski is the fourth member of the gang to be convicted for the assault. All are out on bonds with the exception of Pretrowski, who was convicted yesterday and jailed. The same witnesses appeared in the case against Romanowski this morning who appeared in the previous trials. Attorney Citrus H. King, who has been employed to defend the accused in the case against Romanowski, said that the members of the gang will make a stiff fight for them when their trial comes up. The testimony indicates that the assault was preceded by a conspiracy and that the crowd had fully concluded to do up Koslowski before he was attacked and that they went to Pennell's saloon on Railroad avenue where the assault took place for that purpose.

Prosecuting Attorney DeLaney is confident of securing convictions in every case. He has a mass of testimony which will be introduced in the superior court.

This morning Superior Court Interpreter Augustus Brill for the good work he has done on the case. It is evident that the days of the gang as a factor in the West End are over. The members have long terrorized the vicinity and their victims have hesitated about making complaints for fear of incurring the hatred of the gang. For the first time the members have become alarmed and although they have made it known that they will seek vengeance on everyone concerned in their conviction they have learned a much needed lesson.

This morning Koslowski reported the threats made against him by Supt. Binham and he issued a permit for Koslowski to carry a revolver, to defend himself with in case of need.

It is confidently expected that some of the members of the gang will occupy the center of the stage at a necktie party at Wethersfield some time in the future if it is not broken up. Romanowski furnished a bond of \$150 this morning on an appeal.

SPEAKER BANKS AND THE HOUSE COMMITTEE'S

(Hartford Courant.)
The decision of Speaker Banks to remain in Hartford for a few days and hear members as to their committee preferences, is a very wise one and opens his administration auspiciously. In not a few cases the speaker, as soon as he was elected, has disappeared, and after a while reappeared with a full list of the committees in his pocket. Judge Banks will be at the Albany House for several days and members and friends of members who want places on committees can call on him and go over the subject with him. Judge Holcomb opened his administration as speaker in this fashion and it proved one of the most popular on record.

REPORT OF COURT MARTIAL.
(Special from United Press.)
Washington, Jan. 7.—The report of the courtmartial in the case of Commander Charles C. Marsh was received at the Navy Department to-day. It will be promptly reviewed by Secretary of the Navy Newberry and the President. Commander Marsh was tried at Boston Navy Yard last week on charges growing out of the grounding of his ship, the cruiser Yankee in Buzzard's Bay last fall.

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KILLED BY SWITCH ENGINE

Martin Meaney Dies From Injuries Sustained at South Norwalk Today.

(Special from United Press.)
South Norwalk, Jan. 7.—Martin Meaney, 45, for many years an engine cleaner at the local railroad yards, was killed to-day by being run over by the switch engine. Meaney was lying under the switch engine when it was another locomotive backed into it. The switch engine ran but a few yards but the firebox struck Meaney horribly lacerating his head. He died in the hospital an hour later. The man leaves a widow and a large family.

Connecticut Patents.

The following were issued January 5, 1909: List furnished from office of A. M. Wooster, Solicitor of Patents, Bridgeport, Conn.

E. G. Berrien, Bridgeport, drive-chain.
J. Coulter, Bridgeport, automatic screw-cutting and turning lathe.
J. E. Gaylor, Bridgeport, valve-lifter for explosive engines.

W. J. Tanner, Bridgeport, sound-box for beds, etc.
J. B. Foley, New Haven, sash lock holder.
H. G. La Sor, New Haven, inseting mechanism.

H. F. Odenkirchen, New Haven, valve-push-rod mechanism.
H. & G. Thurn, New Haven, gate for beds, etc.
J. F. Molloy, West Haven, cast-off.

R. C. Cole, Hartford, indicating-fuse.
W. C. Kelley, Hartford, match holder.
C. G. Perkins, Hartford, rotary snap electric switch.

J. McTammany, Stamford, mechanical instrument.
C. M. Gearing, Bristol, lockwork for striking clocks.
G. W. Stuart, Newtown, nut-lock.

W. A. McElroy, Meriden, cheese-cutter.
E. C. Wilcox, Meriden, electrical spark apparatus.
D. Delancey, Waterbury, buckle.

L. M. Morden, Waterbury, 3 patents: temporary binder.
A. A. Warner, New Britain, meat-cutter.
J. R. Dean, New Britain, padlock, design.

H. A. Bates, Middletown, sewing-machine shuttle.
I. Bauer & C. Brown, Middletown, churn.
E. M. Card, Middletown, ice-cutting machine.

C. C. Cooke, Rocky Hill, light fixture.
R. A. Stone, Bethlehem, watch-pocket. Trade Marks.
Rivkin Bros., Hartford, wheat-flour sifter.
Cooper Oven Thermometer Co., Plymouth, Oven thermometers.

CLARK'S REMOVAL SALE.
George B. Clark & Co., the Fairfield avenue furniture dealers make an announcement to-day of their removal sale which starts Saturday morning of this week, \$50.00 worth of merchandise will be sacrificed. The entire stock of Furniture, Carpets, Mattings, Draperies, Rugs, Lace Curtains, Stoves, etc., will go at unheard of prices. The products of the largest and best manufacturers in the country.

The goods are in the store and storehouse and must be sold within a short time.
The new store on Broad street, opposite the Postoffice will have an entire new stock. It will contain no goods from the present store. The new store will be ready about March 15th, and before that time all the present stock must be disposed of. It will be one of the best opportunities of years for you to secure high grade goods at almost your own price.
Announcements of interest will be made daily in the advertising columns of this paper, and the legitimate removal sale will interest all home bodies.

CHILD UPLIFT CONGRESS.

(Special from United Press.)
Washington, Jan. 7.—The Child Uplift Congress, which according to the suggestion of President Roosevelt is to be held here January 25 and 26, promises to be of world-wide importance. The White House is being flooded with applications for instructions. The arrangements provide for an address in the East Room of the White House on the opening day by the President, and response by Judge Lindsay of Denver, Jacob Rills of New York, or some other equally notable student of sociology. There will be a night meeting at the New Willard and a banquet. On the following day the care of orphan children will be discussed.

Sun rises tomorrow 7:19 a. m.
Sun sets today 4:40 p. m.
Low water 11:38 a. m.
High water 6:00 p. m.
Moon rises 5:42 p. m.

ADVERTISE IN THE FARMER.

HAINS MADE POOR WITNESS

Thought to Have Damaged His Own Case by Going on Stand.

Grilling Cross Examination Concluded Today—Justice Crane Hurrying Conclusion of the Case.

(Special from United Press.)
Flushing, L. I., Jan. 7.—After being submitted to a fusillade of cross-questioning at the hands of Prosecuting Attorney Darrin which lasted fourteen hours, Thornton Hains was permitted to withdraw from the stand at noon to-day. Hains made a bad witness for himself and had the prosecution been content to rest on the many material contradictions made on Tuesday he would have dealt his case an irreparable blow. But Darrin dragged the witness yesterday and to-day over and over the same grounds with the result that Hains filled in most of his material contradictions in such a manner that the prosecution gets but cold comfort out of this discrepancy.

Not a material new point was evinced and McIntyre in his re-direct examination skimmed but lightly over the evidence.

Justice Crane announced several times to-day that he will insist on both sides getting in all of their evidence by Saturday night. This will delay the summing up until next week.

Flushing, Jan. 7.—The determining factor in the trial of Thornton Hains for the murder of William E. Crane, the presiding jurist. This has been made apparent by the attitude of the jurors throughout the trial. Whenever the slim, boyish looking man on the bench has had anything to say which has been of frequent occurrence, the jurors have leaned forward drinking in his words with an absorbent interest not exhibited toward counsel. Such a showing on the part of the jurors toward Justice Crane gives rise to the belief that the nature of the charge to the jury will carry some weight. At least such is the opinion of nearly every layman and newspaper correspondent who has followed the proceedings in the Flushing courthouse.

Justice Crane will promulgate in his charge a new doctrine in criminal cases and his ruling if sustained, will set a precedent to be quoted as authority in future cases of like nature. Justice Crane proved plainly by his actions as he ascended the bench that he resented the delay in the trial. He hauled the district attorney up with a round turn in his first half dozen questions.

"That ground has already been covered," Thornton Hains seemed to be in better shape as he ascended the witness chair than any other since his examination began. This may have been due to a realization that his ordeal is nearly at an end. He explained to his counsel that he had slept very well last night.

Darrin finally showed Hains a number of signed interviews published in New York newspapers and asked him if he had written them. He said, "While I might have authorized the publication of certain of the statements I am not the author of all of them by any means."

He repeated his answer in a dozen forms when confronted by some fifty alleged interviews and statements. Finally Darrin declared that he would refrain from further questioning on this point as Justice Crane held that only such parts as seemed to contradict his direct testimony would be considered competent. Darrin took up the task Hains had with the members of the Bayside club following the shooting and had him repeat the dialogue. In nearly every instance his story was a duplicate of his original testimony, such contradictions as he made being of a minor character.

Darrin finished with the witness at 11:15 and McIntyre took up the re-direct. "Why did you not tell your brother that you heard in Boston that Mr. Ann's took Mrs. Hains to a hotel?"

"I saw no reason for breaking a man's home up on a story I heard. He had a wife and child he dearly loved and I knew nothing definite. In fact I did not see him again for a year."

Hains was excused from the stand at 12:35 and Dr. C. N. Clepo, full physician at the Long Island City Jail, was called.

He has attended Captain Hains since he has been locked up. Darrin objected to any evidence as to Captain Hains' condition and his objection was promptly sustained. recess.

They all read it, The Farmer Want Col.